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TITLE OF INVENTION: THIN FILM DIODE PANEL FOR TRANS-REFLECTIVE LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY COMPRISING FOUR MIM DIODES

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## **Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)**

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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1. This communication is responsive to April 9, 2009 commun	nication from Applicant.			
2. ☑ The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-9</u> .				
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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

## **Drawings**

- 1. The replacement drawing of Figure 6 was received on April 9, 2009. This drawing is acceptable.
- 2. The drawings are objected to because in Figure 2 the drawing is rotated 90 degrees from the "Fig. 2" legend.

Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filling date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

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#### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

#### **Title**

4. The title has been changed to: "Thin film diode panel for trans-reflective liquid crystal display comprising four MIM diodes"

## Allowable Subject Matter

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

An English translation of foreign priority Korean Patent Application No. 10-2003-0075872 filed October 29, 2003 has been received. Therefore, the Song reference (US 7184108 B2) filed March 26, 2004 can no longer be considered a prior art reference. Accordingly, the previous rejection has been withdrawn.

6. Claims 1-9 are allowed. Claim 1 is deemed patentable over prior art because of the limitations including a thin film diode panel comprising first, second, third and fourth

MIM diodes, wherein at least one of the first to fourth MIM diodes has a substantially different current-voltage (I-V) characteristic from the others. Claim 5 is deemed patentable over prior art because of the limitations including a thin film diode panel comprising a reflection electrode including first and second contact portions, a transmission electrode including third and fourth contact portions, and first and second floating electrodes, wherein the overlapping area of the first floating electrode and the first contact portion is substantially different from the overlapping area of the first floating electrode and the third contact portion.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to PAISLEY L. ARENDT whose telephone number is 571-270-5023. The examiner can normally be reached on MON - FRI, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Kim can be reached on 571-272-2293. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Andrew Schechter/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2871